

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

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JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION: Early Head Start Center Based Teacher – **3 Positions**

LOCATION: Red Cliff Early Childhood Center

WAGE: \$10.00-\$14.00 per hour depending on educational qualifications

SUPERVISOR: Head Start-Early Head Start Director

THIS IS A REGULAR FULL-TIME NON-EXEMPT POSITION

JOB SUMMARY: Serve as one of two primary teachers for an assigned group of eight infants or toddlers in a center-based environment. Early Head Start child/teacher ratio is 4:1. Responsible for co-planning and implementing educational programs with co-teacher for children ages zero to 3 year old which reflect best practices and integration of Ojibwe language and culture.

EHS teachers are required to share all responsibilities within their classroom and create an environment of nurturance and sharing with all children. Each teacher must be able to have open communication with co-teacher regarding daily operation of classroom and child/parent needs.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Must maintain confidentiality of all child and family information and records.
- 2. Cultural sensitivity required.
- 3. Must demonstrate competency to provide effective and nurturing teacher-child interactions.
- 4. Ability to work effectively and cooperatively with staff, parents, community members, and other support systems in the best interest of the child.
- 5. Plan and implement group and individual learning experiences that ensure effective curriculum implementation and use of assessment to promote children's progress across the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework: ages Birth to Five and any state applicable early learning and development standards for all students.
- 6. Must integrate child assessment data in individual and group planning.
- 7. Promotion of a safe, attractive and stimulating physical environment for infants and toddlers and also establishing and maintaining consistency.

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- 8. Reinforce positive self-image, pride, and cultural identity with infants and toddlers during all activities.
- 9. Must collaborate with each child's parent/guardian and with parental consent, must complete or obtain a current developmental screening to identify concerns regarding a child's developmental behavioral, motor, language, social, cognitive, and emotional skills within 45 days of child's enrollment and then when needed.
- 10. Meal times with children are in a family setting with teachers sitting at the table and engaging in conversation with the infants and toddlers. Infants and toddlers are encouraged, but not forced to eat or taste. Encourage toddlers with self-help and independence skills by involving them in set up and cleanup activities.
- 11. Maintain accurate daily records on attendance, daily intake, medical log, infant and toddler eating/sleeping/toileting information for distribution in child file and to parents as well as other required forms.
- 12. Maintain weekly online documentation of your assigned children's' developmental progress in Teaching Strategies Gold and Child Plus as required.
- 13. Assist the family, child, and other relevant staff in developing an Individual Family Services Plan (IFSP) or Individual Education Plan (IEP) for special needs children.
- 14. Conduct two home visits and two parent-teacher conferences annually per family as stated in the Federal Performance Standards.
- 15. Maintain and document all contacts with parents. Develop and maintain a professional relationship with parents of children enrolled in program.
- 16. Collaborate with other staff, parents, and community resources to incorporate Ojibwe language and culture into daily activities and curriculum.
- 17. Work with county, tribal and community service providers in order to provide necessary services to the Early Head Start child and their parents.
- 18. Mandatory attendance at all ECC Coordinated Service Team and Mental Health Consult meetings for children in your care or must work with Education Manager/EHS director in advance.
- 19. Must attend and participate in EHS meetings, all staff meetings and any other meetings as requested.
- 20. Notify supervisor in advance of any known absences you will have. Center based teachers are responsible for arranging their own qualified substitute in your absence.
- 21. Must participate in coordinated coaching strategies to identify strengths and areas of need and support of professional development and quality improvement, including job related training as required.
- 22. EHS program equipment must remain within the ECC, and cannot be used outside of the ECC unless you have prior permission by your supervisor to use outside of the center. Violations of this policy will result in disciplinary action.
- 23. Adhere to all ECC policies and procedures and insure that Head Start Performance Standards are being met.
- 24. The above duties and responsibilities are not an all-inclusive list but rather a general representation of the duties and responsibilities associated with this position. The duties and responsibilities will be subject to change based on organizational needs and/or deemed necessary by the supervisor.

KNOWLEDGE: Knowledge of Ojibwe culture and language.

OUALIFICATIONS:

- 1. Minimum of associate degree in early childhood education is required. Related degrees may be considered based on coursework completed (transcript review required). **OR**
 - a. Applicants can be considered who are currently enrolled in an associate degree early childhood program or who have acquired a minimum of 15 early childhood credits.
 - b. Applicants can be considered if they have completed a Child Development Associate (CDA) credential or comparable credential and have been trained or have equivalent coursework in early childhood development with a focus on infant and toddler development.
- 2. Prefer a Bachelor's degree in early childhood education or closely related field (transcript review required if degree not in early childhood).
- 3. Mandatory infant/toddler course needed or immediate enrollment in online class during probationary period if hired.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Also required are: five year health exams, initial TB test and annual TB questionnaire, immunizations including Hepatitis B (or sign waiver), mumps vaccine (or waiver or proof of immunization) and required trainings such as confidentiality, CPR, Shaken Baby Syndrome, Sudden Infant Death (SIDS), etc.

SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY: None

PERSONAL CONTACTS: Collaboration with local, state, and national collaborating partners, with particular emphasis on networking with parents, extended families, and the Red Cliff community

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS: The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions as long as the staff disability does not create an undue risk of injury to any enrolled children in the classroom.

Must be physically able to work with young children and must be able to regularly lift and/or move up to forty pounds; twenty pounds overhead and forty pounds from waist to shoulder; occasional lifting of fifty pounds is required and must be able to push/pull up to fifty pounds horizontally.

Required to stand, walk, climb or balance, stoop, kneel, crouch or crawl when working with small children. Required to use hands to finger, handle or feel objects, keyboards, tools or controls, reach with hands and arms, speak and hear, and ability to operate keyboard (computer).

WORK ENVIRONMENT: Primary work environment is in a 0-3 year old Early Head Start center-based classroom in the Red Cliff Early Childhood Center. All Tribal Buildings are smoke free.

TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS: The ability to travel and attend meetings and trainings; overnight and out of town, both locally & nationally.

BEHAVIOR AND ATTITUDE: The vision, goals and objectives of the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa requires that the employee performs in both a professional and personable manner. The manner in which the employee relates to fellow employees, customers and visitors is considered parallel in importance to technical knowledge and ability. Respect and consideration given to the dignity of each customer, visitor and fellow employee is a requisite of successful job performance. Any Behavior or Attitude that tarnishes the Name or Image of the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa will be subject to immediate disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Indian preference will be applied in the case of equally qualified applicants, but all qualified applicants will be considered.

This job description is subject to change at employer's discretion, after consultation with the employee.

APPLICATION SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS: The following items are required for this position:

- 1. Completed Tribal Application, to include work history and references; available on the tribal website.
- 2. Tribal Background Investigation Disclosure; available on the tribal website.
- 3. Cover letter and resume.
- 4. Post-secondary transcripts or certifications; if applicable.

POSTING DATE: December 6, 2018
DEADLINE: Open until filled

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

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The Red Cliff Tribal Council has a Drug Free Work Place Policy and adheres to the intent of the Drug Free Work Place Act. All new hires are subject to a drug test prior to starting.

All applicants for employment with the Red Cliff Tribe will be subject to the background investigation and other requirements of RCCL Chapter 43, and are under a continuing obligation to supplement this application for employment with information concerning any convictions that occur after commencement of employment with the Tribe.

All Early Childhood Center employees must submit mandatory criminal background check information to Human Resources Department with application. Per WI Department of Children & Families (DCF) Bureau of Early Care Regulation (BECR) Memo 2014-03, all licensed child care center employees much complete a one-time fingerprint-based background check on all employees by December 31, 2015. Every year thereafter, a name-based background check through the Department of Justice (DOJ) must be conducted annually or following any conviction occurring after commencement of employment.

45 CFR 1301.31 requires preference be given to qualified current or former parents of Head Start/Early Head Start children as position vacancies occur.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PACKAGE THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PACKAGE INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. A Health Insurance Plan which is through the Federal Employee Health Benefits (FEHB). FEHB is offered for both single and family coverage. Employees considered to be full time status will be required to pay 12% of the premium for the plan selected.
- 2. The Dental package is through Delta Dental. This benefit is offered at no cost to the employees with single or family medical coverage.
- 3. Short Term Disability is offered to all employees at no cost and pays 60 % of weekly pay for a maximum of 90 days if you get sick or injured off the job.
- 4. Life insurance of \$15,000 is included at no cost to all employees. Spouses are covered at \$7,500.00 and children are prorated. Employees can purchase additional life insurance from the plan provider at their own cost.
- 5. Profit Sharing Plan with a 401(k) component is offered to employees after one year of work, with a minimum of 1000 hours. The Tribe puts 3% of employee's wages into the Profit Sharing Plan.
- 6. The Tribe also offers General Leave to Full time employees. Employees will accrue 16 hours of General Leave per month and can accumulate up to 192 hours per year. After 5 years of employment, General Leave goes up to 20 hours per month with a maximum of 240 hours.
- 7. The Tribe observes a total of 11 paid holidays.